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- 1 Common stupidly basic things I and most other people in the class obviously already know but are for reasons beyond my comprehension asked on the exam
 - Variables should always be initialised before being used
 - Destructors in polymorphic types should be virtual
 - Classes with pointer types need a copy constructor

2 Polymorphism

```
class ITouhou {
    public:
      ITouhou() { cout << "ITouhou (" << name() << ") constructed" << endl; }</pre>
      virtual ~ITouhou() { cout << "ITouhou destructed" << endl; }</pre>
      virtual string name() const { return "ITouhou"; };
   };
    class Youkai : public virtual ITouhou {
      Youkai() : ITouhou() { cout << "Youkai (" << name() << ") constructed" << endl; }
10
      virtual ~Youkai() { cout << "Youkai destructed" << endl; }</pre>
      virtual string name() const { return "Youkai"; };
12
   };
13
14
    class IFlyable: public virtual ITouhou {
15
    public:
16
      IFlyable() { cout << "IFlyable (" << name() <<") constructed" << endl; }</pre>
17
      virtual ~IFlyable() { cout << "IFlyable destructed" << endl; }</pre>
18
      virtual void fly() { cout << "IFlyable::fly()" << endl; }</pre>
      virtual string name() const { return "IFlyable"; }
20
   };
21
22
    class Yuuka : public Youkai, public IFlyable {
     public:
24
      Yuuka() : Youkai(), IFlyable()
25
        { cout << "Yuuka " << name() << " constructed" << endl; }
      virtual ~Yuuka() { cout << "Yuuka destructed" << endl; }</pre>
      virtual string name() const { return "Yuuka"; }
28
      virtual void fly() { cout << "Yuuka::fly()" << endl; }</pre>
29
   };
30
31
    class Reimu : public virtual ITouhou, public IFlyable
32
    {
33
    public:
34
      Reimu() : ITouhou(), IFlyable()
35
        { cout << "Reimu (" << name() << ") constructed" << endl; }
36
      virtual ~Reimu() { cout << "Reimu destructed" << endl; }</pre>
37
      virtual string name() const { return "Reimu"; }
   };
39
```

Listing 1: Polymorphism example classes

```
int main() {
      ITouhou *y1 = new Yuuka();
2
      delete y1;
3
      cout << "=====" << endl;</pre>
      Youkai *y2 = new Yuuka();
      delete y2;
9
      cout << "=====" << endl;
10
11
      Yuuka *y3 = new Yuuka();
12
      y3->fly();
13
      delete y3;
14
      cout << "=====" << endl;</pre>
16
17
      IFlyable *y4 = new Yuuka();
18
      y4->fly();
19
      delete y4;
20
21
      cout << "=====" << endl;</pre>
22
      IFlyable *r1 = new Reimu();
24
      r1->fly();
25
      delete r1;
26
      return 0;
28
    }
29
```

Listing 2: Polymorphism example main()

```
Youkai (Youkai) constructed
   IFlyable (IFlyable) constructed
   Yuuka Yuuka constructed
   Yuuka destructed
   IFlyable destructed
   Youkai destructed
   ITouhou destructed
   ITouhou (ITouhou) constructed
10
11
   Youkai (Youkai) constructed
   IFlyable (IFlyable) constructed
12
   Yuuka Yuuka constructed
13
   Yuuka destructed
14
   IFlyable destructed
   Youkai destructed
16
   ITouhou destructed
17
   ITouhou (ITouhou) constructed
   Youkai (Youkai) constructed
20
   IFlyable (IFlyable) constructed
21
   Yuuka Yuuka constructed
22
   Yuuka::fly()
   Yuuka destructed
24
   IFlyable destructed
25
   Youkai destructed
   ITouhou destructed
   =====
28
   ITouhou (ITouhou) constructed
29
   Youkai (Youkai) constructed
   IFlyable (IFlyable) constructed
31
   Yuuka Yuuka constructed
32
   Yuuka::fly()
33
   Yuuka destructed
   IFlyable destructed
35
   Youkai destructed
36
   ITouhou destructed
37
   ITouhou (ITouhou) constructed
39
   IFlyable (IFlyable) constructed
40
   Reimu (Reimu) constructed
41
   IFlyable::fly()
   Reimu destructed
43
   IFlyable destructed
44
   ITouhou destructed
```

Listing 3: Polymorphism example output

ITouhou (ITouhou) constructed

Notes:

- The virtual keyword is required for polymorphic functions, it allows the vtable to be created which is used to select the implementation of a virtual function to be executed
- The closest implementation of a virtual function to the type of the instance will be called
- The implementation of a function not declared virtual will be that of the type (not the type if the instance)
- For this reason destructors should always be virtual
- Virtual inheritance is used to avoid the "diamond pattern" problem when a class inherits from multiple children of a single base class
- Without virtual inheritance this results in multiple copies of the base class being created

3 Past Exam Questions

3.1 2013/14 Question 2

```
#include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
   int main()
     int list[10];
     int *p;
     p = list;
10
     for (int x = 1; x \le 10; x++)
11
12
        *(p) = x; // The original line would have caused an invalid memory access
13
                   // (element before start of array)
14
15
        cout << &p << endl; // This outputs the address of the pointer variable \it p
16
18
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
19
        cout << list[i] << endl;</pre>
20
     return 0;
22
   }
23
```

Listing 4: Sample code

```
0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
   0x7ffe4c3b3b68
10
11
   2
12
   3
   4
14
   5
15
   6
16
   7
   8
18
19
   10
20
```

Listing 5: Output

3.2 2013/14 Question 3

```
#include <iostream>
   class TwlvTime
      public:
        TwlvTime(int hours, int seconds)
          : hours(hours), seconds(seconds)
        {
        }
9
10
        TwlvTime operator+(const TwlvTime& t)
11
12
          TwlvTime time(*this);
          time.hours += t.hours;
14
          time.seconds += t.seconds;
15
          return time;
16
18
      public:
19
        int hours;
20
        int seconds;
21
   };
22
23
   int main()
24
25
      TwlvTime t1(4, 37);
26
      TwlvTime t2(2, 12);
27
      TwlvTime t3 = t1 + t2;
29
30
      std::cout << t3.hours << ":" << t3.seconds << '\n';
31
32
      return 0;
33
34
```

Listing 6: Sample code

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Listing 7: Output

4 2016/17 questions

4.1 Question 1a

```
#include <iostream>
    using namespace std;
    void f1(void * d, int s)
      if (s == sizeof(double))
        double * p;
9
        p = (double *) d;
10
        ++(*p);
11
12
      else if (s == sizeof(int))
13
14
        int * p;
15
        p = (int *) d;
16
        ++(*p);
18
    }
19
20
    int main()
21
22
      double v1[] = \{25, 75, 100\};
23
      int v2[] = \{72, 76, 98\};
24
      cout << v1 << ' ' ' << v2 << endl;</pre>
26
      double *p1 = v1;
27
      int *p2 = v2;
28
      f1(&v1, sizeof(p1));
30
      f1(&v2, sizeof(p2));
31
32
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;
33
34
```

Listing 8: Sample code

0x7ffc2c8bcd30 0x7ffc2c8bcd20 0x7ffc2c8bcd30 0x7ffc2c8bcd20

Listing 9: Output

4.2 Question 1b

```
#include <iostream>
    using namespace std;
    void f1(void * d, int s)
      if (s == sizeof(double))
        double * p;
9
        p = (double *) d;
10
        ++*p;
11
12
      else if (s == sizeof(int))
13
14
        int * p;
15
        p = (int *) d;
16
        ++*p;
      }
18
    }
19
20
    int main()
21
22
      double v1[] = \{25, 75, 100\};
23
      int v2[] = \{72, 76, 98\};
24
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;
26
      double *p1 = v1;
27
      int *p2 = v2;
28
      f1(&v1, sizeof(p1));
30
      f1(&v2, sizeof(p2));
31
32
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;</pre>
33
34
```

Listing 10: Sample code

```
0x7ffd669a21c0 0x7ffd669a21b0
2 0x7ffd669a21c0 0x7ffd669a21b0
```

Listing 11: Output

4.3 Question 1c

```
#include <iostream>
    using namespace std;
    void f1(void * d, int s)
      if (s == sizeof(double))
        double * p;
9
        p = (double *) d;
10
        *p++;
11
      }
12
      else if (s == sizeof(int))
13
14
        int * p;
15
        p = (int *) d;
16
        *p++;
      }
18
    }
19
20
    int main()
21
22
      double v1[] = \{25, 75, 100\};
23
      int v2[] = \{72, 76, 98\};
24
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;
26
      double *p1 = v1;
27
      int *p2 = v2;
28
29
      f1(&v1, sizeof(p1));
30
      f1(&v2, sizeof(p2));
31
32
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;</pre>
33
34
```

Listing 12: Sample code

```
0x7ffe0603b500 0x7ffe0603b4f0
0x7ffe0603b500 0x7ffe0603b4f0
```

Listing 13: Output

4.4 Question 1d

```
#include <iostream>
    using namespace std;
    void f1(void * d, int s)
      if (s == sizeof(double))
        double * p;
9
        p = (double *) d;
10
        *p++;
11
      }
12
      else if (s == sizeof(int))
13
14
        int * p;
15
        p = (int *) d;
16
        *p++;
      }
18
    }
19
20
    int main()
21
22
      double v1[] = \{25, 75, 100\};
23
      int v2[] = \{72, 76, 98\};
24
      cout << v1 << ' ' << v2 << endl;
26
      double *p1 = v1;
27
      int *p2 = v2;
28
      f1(&v1, sizeof(p1));
30
      f1(&v2, sizeof(p2));
31
32
      cout << &v1 << ' ' ' << &v2 << endl;</pre>
33
34
```

Listing 14: Sample code

0x7ffdb5f5d9b0 0x7ffdb5f5d9a0 0x7ffdb5f5d9b0 0x7ffdb5f5d9a0

Listing 15: Output

4.5 Question 4

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

int main()

char a[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
char b[] = {6, 7, 8, 9, 10};

char *ptr1 = (char*) (&a + 1);
char *ptr2 = (char*) (a + 1);

cout << (int)*(ptr1 - 1) << ', ' << (int)*(ptr2 - 1) << endl;
cout << (int)a[0] << ', ' << &a << endl;
}
</pre>
```

Listing 16: Sample code

1 5 1
2 1 0x7ffe357e6cc0

Listing 17: Output